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TURNOVER TROUBLE

The Eastern Women's basketball team had 23 turnovers in its loss to Illinois State Thursday.

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PAY IT FORWARD

The art department uses annual Holiday Art sale to help fund scholarship for future and current students. The sale will run 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

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Workgroup No. 4 uses feedback, clarify list

By Analicia Haynes
Managing Editor | @Haynes1943

Workgroup No. 4, which is charged with making recommendations for intercollegiate athletics, discussed its next steps regarding the feedback from their preliminary recommendations at its Thursday meeting.

They also began the process of creating a list compiled of only the group's preliminary recommendations.

Tami Babbs, assistant comptroller, said she and student member Kelsie Abolt will write up the list of recommendations Eastern President David Glassman asked all workgroups to make during a meeting of the full Task Force Wednesday.

Babbs said the group's recommendations could be clearer and began a rough draft for her and Abolt to go off of to get their recommendations more concise.

Babbs said when making the list, they will prioritize the recommendations, listing them from most important to the least important.

"We'll work on that list and then get back together...so we can start prioritizing," she said.

Babbs suggested the members of the Workgroup take a second look at the recommendations they originally worked on following the feedback they received from affected areas on campus.

"I didn't know if certain people would take that area and see what we thought about it, how we will write it," she said. "Some consideration needs to be done."

Chemistry professor Dan Sheeran said he will work on recasting his original recommendations in a way that is more general as opposed to a specific response.

Sheeran told the group that perhaps there would be a way to modify the feedback and whether to be specific or general.

Sheeran said looking at an outside perspective is going to be useful.

Babbs said members could add in new recommendations if they needed to.

Kevin Linker, program director of intramural sports, said he does not think they need to add more recommendations but did say athletic director Tom Michael will take them back to his staff and ask for their input.

Babbs said she thinks Michael might have just shared recommendations he wanted to share without showing the specifics.

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Wheel of Knowledge



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Madeleine Gillman, a junior english major spins a trivia wheel that features a different fact on HIV and AIDS on each section. The spinner is then given a chance to enter a raffle to win prizes from Rubber Lovers. The Health Education Resource Center hosted the activity to spread awareness about HIV and AIDS during World AIDS day.

Student services workgroup plans to finalize recommendation report

By Abbey Whittington
Associate News Editor | @DEN_News

Workgroup no. 1, focused on student services, discussed the responses to their recommendations and their plans for how they would change, reaffirm, modify or delete the items in their preliminary report.

Heidi Hawkins, assistant university budget officer, said she wants to meet with all of the departments to make clarifications on the group's recommendations for outsourcing,

specifically with student insurance.

Eric Davidson, interim director of Health Service, said he thinks people have different ideas of what outsourcing is.

"(Outsourcing) is not necessarily having someone external come in and completely take over. It's like with the technology department," he said. "Outsourcing a computer program would be, we go to a bender and we get a product that's already been created, rather than creating something internal."

He said when using the word out-

sourcing with student insurance, it means they will outsource the entire department but he thinks the model of the insurance can be looked at.

"Is the model of student insurance that (Eastern) has appropriate and do we need to look at something different?" Davidson said.

Hawkins said she agrees with Davidson that these things should be looked at, but that she would hate to recommend something without making sure the group did their due diligence.

English professor Angela Vietto

said there may be information they add to the report after studying the model of student insurance, but she does not think this would change their recommendations.

Davidson asked if this would mean looking at the entire department or just models of student insurance, which are currently already being looked at and if there is a different model that would be more beneficial to Eastern while connecting with the student Health Service.

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Annual holiday concert to showcase ESO, Charleston high school chorus, ensembles

Staff Report

The Eastern Symphony Orchestra and Choral Ensembles will present their annual Holiday Concert 4 p.m. Sunday in the Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The concert will be conducted by Richard Rossi, director of orchestral and choral activities. He has been a conductor for Eastern for over 16 years.

The ESO and the Choral Ensemble have also invited Desirée Hassler, The Charleston High School Advanced Chorus and the Iroquois West High School Chamber Chorus to perform on stage with them.

Hassler is a soprano and a part of the full-time chorus at Lyric Opera of Chicago who is originally from California. She has sung in recital, concerts and operas for a wide range of music from the Renaissance era to the 21st century.

The Charleston High School Advanced Chorus will be directed by Juliane Sharp.

She has been teaching for nine years and is originally from Ohio.

She also directs the fifth and sixth grade choruses in the Charleston Community School District.

The Iroquois West High School Chamber Chorus will be directed by Montana Thomason, and is an Eastern Alumnus.

He also teaches and directs the fourth and fifth grade chorus.


They will be performing prepared pieces such as "Christmas Music from England" by Phillip Lane, an original piece by Rossi and other Christmas-themed music.

Tickets for the show are \$13 for general admission, \$11 for Eastern employees and seniors and \$5 for students.

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Weekend Holiday Festivities

What: “Christmas in the Heart of Charleston”
Where: The square
When: 4:45 to 5 p.m. Saturday
Community members can enjoy free music and food, participate in the light parade and meet Santa.

What: Holiday Hustle
Where: Old Main
When: 8:30 a.m. Saturday
On site registration will be available and all of the proceeds will be given to One Stop Community Christmas.

What: Holiday Housewalk
Where: Seventh St.
When: 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday
Tickets can be purchased on Sunday at Ambero Antiques from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and proceeds will be given to CASA of East Central Illinois.

What: Maurice Maeterlinck’s play “The Blue Bird”
Where: The Charleston Alley Theatre
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday & 2 p.m. Sunday

The play will follow the format of a live radio broadcast and focus on two children’s Christmas experience.

What: Jingle Mingle at The Vault
Where: The Vault Arts Collective in Tuscola
When: 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday
More than 60 artists will showcase holiday gifts that can be purchased. Food, wine and music will be available throughout.

Wildfire death toll reaches 10

GATLINBURG, Tenn. (AP) — Crews discovered the remains of three more people as they searched the rubble of wildfires that torched hundreds of homes and businesses near the Great Smoky Mountains, bringing the death toll to 10, officials said Thursday.
Authorities set up a hotline for people to report missing friends and relatives, and after following up on dozens of leads, they said many of those people had been accounted for. They did not say whether they believe anyone else is still missing or may have died.

He said the searches would likely be completed Friday.
Nearly 24 hours of rain on Wednesday helped dampen the wildfires, but fire officials struck a cautious tone, saying people shouldn’t have a false sense of security because months of drought have left the ground bone-dry and wildfires can rekindle.
The trouble began Monday when a wildfire, likely caused by a person, spread from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park into the tourist city of Gatlinburg as hurricane-force winds toppled trees and power lines, blowing embers in all directions.

More than 14,000 residents and visitors in Gatlinburg were forced to evacuate, and the typically bustling tourist city has been shuttered ever since. At least 700 buildings in the county have been damaged.
Starting Friday, homeowners, business owners, renters and lease holders will be allowed to go see most of their Gatlinburg properties, said City Manager Cindy Cameron Ogle. The city is hoping to open main roads to the general public on Wednesday.

Senate overrides Rauner veto

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner vetoed \$215 million aimed at helping with Chicago Public Schools’ pension payments on Thursday, a move that Senate Democrats voted to override as negotiations on an overdue state budget broke down again.
Using its supermajority, the Senate quickly voted to overturn Rauner’s move, but the Illinois House had yet to vote on the override attempt early Thursday afternoon.
It was the latest scuffle between Democratic legislative leaders and the former venture capitalist, who has tried since taking office to change Illinois’ political system by weakening unions and making the state friendli-

er to businesses. Rauner wants Democrats to help him enact part of his agenda, but neither side has budged and that has left Illinois without a budget for 18 months — the longest any state has gone since at least World War II. The gridlock has crippled social service programs and left higher education institutions facing financial uncertainty due to less state support than they’ve received in the past.
The parties had agreed to the Chicago Public Schools funding in June on the condition that lawmakers would work on a separate plan to overhaul a statewide pension system that’s more than \$100 billion in debt.
That agreement was part of a six-month spending plan to get the state

through the end of the year while lawmakers and the governor negotiated a longer-term budget after the November elections. But Rauner vetoed the funding immediately after Democratic Senate President John Cullerton denied Thursday there had been a deal in June.
The country’s third-largest school district has a “junk” status from credit agencies and was counting on the money to pay the employer’s contribution to teachers’ pensions. CPS is the only Illinois district where local taxpayers, rather than the state, pay the employer’s contribution and Democrats have argued that’s unfair.

STATE AND NATION BRIEFS

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Trump’s cabinet has deep ties to Washington, Wall Street


WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump promised to “drain the swamp” in the nation’s capital. Instead, he’s diving right in.
So far, the president-elect is tapping people with deep ties to Washington and Wall Street as he fills out his Cabinet, turning to two power centers he vilified as greedy, corrupt and out of touch with Americans during his White House campaign. His choices have won praise from Republicans relieved by his more conventional choices, but could risk angering voters who rallied behind his calls for upending the political system.


Two of Trump’s early picks are wealthy financial industry insiders with ties to the kinds of institutions he railed against as a candidate. Elaine Chao, his choice for transportation secretary and an accomplished political figure in her own right, is married to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell — blending family and political power in a way Trump fiercely criticized campaign rival Hillary Clinton for. Jeff Sessions, Trump’s selection for attorney general, has spent two decades in the Senate, and Tom Price, his health and human services nominee, is a six-term congressman.
Vets for Standing Rock criticized
FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Some military veterans in North Dakota disagree with the 2,000 veterans planning to join a protest opposing the four-state, \$3.8 billion Dakota Access pipeline.

The North Dakota Veterans Coordinating Council has sent a letter to the "Veterans Stand for Standing Rock" group asking them not go to the southern part of the state where hundreds are camped out because it'll create more tension and increase the burden on law enforcement, council president Russ Stabler said Thursday.
The council doesn't have an opinion about the pipeline, which is mostly complete aside from a portion on federal land under a Missouri River reservoir that's been held up, and supports anyone who wants to protest peacefully. But, he said, the demonstrations have not been conducted in "the military manner in which our veterans behave."
He believes the veterans coming to Standing Rock have been misinformed and should not be supporting a movement that has "broken laws, destroyed property and attacked law enforcement."

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Couture Models to present fairy-tale show

By Lydia Shaw
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The Couture Models will strut their stuff at their third fashion show Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and the show begins 6:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$5.

“Couture’s Fairytale Fantasy Adventure Fashion Show,” will feature 35 to 40 models, both male and female, walking the runway in their outfit of choice while keeping the “fairy-tale” theme in mind.

The models were selected to participate based on their personality. Organizers also kept in mind ways to make the show as diverse as possible.

Jazmine Turner, a senior psychology major, has been involved with Couture Models since her sophomore year and is now the vice president of the registered student organization.

“We look forward to everyone having fun and getting people on campus



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DeVonte’ Dixon, former president of Couture Modeling, leads the male models in a modelography performed at the ASA talent show in the 2014 Fall semester at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union in the University Ballroom. A modelography is a mixture of runway modeling and dance choreography.

involved,” she said.

The models are required to come up with monetary dues weekly and hold fund raisers to help with the cost of the show.

Couture Model President Andrian-

na Fullerton and Turner are also helping fund the fashion show.

Models have been working since early September to prepare and practice for the show.

To try out, the women were required to bring heels, even if they did not have their runway walk perfected yet.

In practices, each model was taught how to walk in heels and to maintain good posture for the show.

Javen Young, a senior sociology major who has been involved with Couture Models for a year, said the organization is a place where he can be himself.

“These women are not just members; they become friends,” he said.

Couture Models members will host a second show in the spring semester with a theme that has yet to be announced.

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CAA changes bylaws, downsizes its members

By Samuel Nusbaum
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The Council on Academic Affairs voted to reduce the number of members, eliminate a political science class, limit another class and grant more flexibility with the major’s independent studies options at their meeting Thursday.

The CAA is reducing the number of faculty members in the group by cutting one of the larger positions and reducing the student membership from three to one. The number of representatives from each college would drop from nine to eight, and the number of representatives from the faculty in general would drop

from five to four.

The quorum for the CAA would also drop from eight to six.

CAA chair Marita Gronnvoll said this change reflects the number of faculty at the university in general.

The bylaw changes will take place in fall 2017.

Gronnvoll said the changes are not being made next semester because the positions for that time are already being filled.

Gronnvoll said the number of faculty members at Eastern has dropped for the past decade, but the number of CAA members has not.

When it came to the number of students being able to join CAA, Gronnvoll said they do not join often,

so they dropped the number of students who can.

The CAA heard from political science professor Jeffrey Ashley about revising the political science major and the Civic and Nonprofit Leadership and International Studies options.

The first change is removing Research Methods in Political Science as a course.

“We added it not long ago,” Ashley said.

He said it was originally added because faculty members were not teaching basic research or qualitative methods in their own classes, but now, it is difficult to schedule the course for both students and faculty.

The second change is to limit their

Legal Research and Argument course to one hour of experimental credit. The course was designed to be a prep course for their moot court course, but the professor of the class thought students were taking the Legal Research and Argument course instead of the moot court class.

When it came to the independent study option for the majors, Ashley said more flexibility was desired because there is fewer faculty teaching in the department.

He said if a student is missing a class, an independent study could help the student graduate in some cases.

The CAA also voted on amending a policy concerning high school

students taking college courses while they are still enrolled in high school.

Karla Sanders, director of the Center for Academic Support and Assistance said the catalog copy would allow high school juniors to take these courses, not just seniors.

Sanders said the requirement of a 3.0 GPA from the high school has also been added.

In addition, the proposal changed its limit on the number of hours a student can take from eight to seven credit hours.

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Georgia Danos

Exercise, clean eating can be possible over the holidays

With Thanksgiving a week ago yesterday and Christmas slowly turning the corner, many people feel that the holidays are a hard time for them to maintain a healthy diet. And for those who are health conscious, there may be guilty feelings for splurging a little when the holidays do approach.

Looking at both sides of the spectrum, if you eat the foods at the dinner table that are high in protein and low in fats and carbs and eat moderate portions, there is no need to feel guilty about your intake. Even if you eat a lot of good food, it must be in moderation because if you intake a high amount of something, that is not healthy for your body to take in.

Another helpful tip would be to fill your plate with more meat and veggies and have a smaller portion of the other foods that may not have such a great nutritional value. This is helpful because you will fill up on the healthy food but also have a taste of the food that your taste buds crave.

For people who watch their intake, count calories and stay away from the dessert table, it is time to live a little! Not say to completely go off track of your healthy eating habits, but do not feel bad for wanting some dessert. Like I stated previously, any food in moderation is not harmful. You should enjoy yourself and your company over the holidays. Do not feel guilty for treating yourself.

I know it is difficult to eat in moderation when there is a huge variety and quantity of food, but it is possible with self-control. But if you do decide to splurge a little extra, do some cardio or weightlifting. Extra motion in general will help your body burn off those extra calories and help you feel better. 30 to 45 minutes of cardio will help you maintain your desired weight, or even help you lose weight if you are watching what you eat. In the end, the holidays are a time to enjoy the people you love and to enjoy food that may only come around once a year.

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The opinions page is seeking new regular columnists and cartoonists for the Spring 2017 semester. Regular writers are encouraged to produce at least one quality item per week and should be self-motivated, flexible writers with skills in basic research, argument and stylistic writing.

If you or a friend are interested in writing for the opinions page, please contact Shelby Niehaus at opinions.DEN@gmail.com. Please include a short writing sample and a list of areas of interest and/or competence you would like to write about.

If you are looking for a smaller commitment, please consider submitting letters to the editor. These opinions should be no more than 250 words in length.

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Try To Keep a Smile This Winter



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Staff Editorial

Stay motivated, happy over the winter season

Alas, it is finally December, and along with the Christmas cheer, spiked eggnog and endless arsenals filled with cookies and other glorious sweets comes the cold, desolate and unforgiving weather.

Ah yes, winter, the bane of mankind, has finally settled in booting out the warm weather (soon to be no more than a cherished memory), bringing us the finger numbing cold that seems to laugh at our misery and suffering.

Now, we are not saying that winter is entirely bad. It does give us an excuse to wear warm oversized sweater and thermal underwear and of course the chance to cuddle with our pets that we love so much.

However, every year when winter does rear its ugly little head, more and more of our peers sink into a winter's slump. We are cold and lazy; the bags under our eyes are darker than the gloomy sky every morning we try to throw ourselves out of bed to get

to class (which is incredibly difficult with each passing day) and we just want to hibernate with a glass of milk and piles of sweets until the ground thaws.

Of course, it is hard to be cheery when everything around us is dark and melancholy. The sight of a regular winter's landscape slowly rubs off on us. We just do not feel the need to do anything anymore. Even the simplest task like cleaning your dorm becomes unbearable because we are so terribly tired.

Unfortunately, the staff knows that we all cannot just sit around begging for winter to come to a swift close. So how does one beat the winter blues?

We believe it is simple. Find something that makes you all warm and fuzzy inside and cling to it like your life depends on it.

Whether it is a cup of hot chocolate, your favorite fleece pajamas or a warm blanket, anything helps especially when bracing the cold weather.

It is also easy to eat a lot during the winter months so continue to eat healthy and partake in small exercise routines. Even if you cannot make it to the Student Recreation Center, work out in your room or apartment. It gets your energy going and keeps you in good spirits.

Go to the light and spend a good amount of time outdoors in natural light. According to WebMD, it is important to try to get as much sunlight as possible in order to suppress a gloomy mood.

Also, do not be afraid to pay a visit to student resources on campus when it feels like you cannot beat your gloomy winter mood.

With finals just around the corner that already causing us stress and panic, the last thing we need as students is to be burdened down and saddened by the depressing winter days.

*The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.*

Sean Says: Go all-out in gingerbread contests

So lemme tell you this. Every year when I go to Chicago to visit some family over Christmas break, I, my brother, my two sisters, my cousin Sean and his wife Jackie, and my cousin Alex and her boyfriend Sean all have a gingerbread house competition.

It is guys vs. girls, and we guys take that title year after year, but a couple years ago we were "disqualified" for "cheating." I think that was just a matter of jealousy and frustration that the girls could not pull off the gingerbread masterpiece.

My siblings and I always visit once each break and the gingerbread competition is always the highlight, especially a couple years ago, even though we had to take the L.

The deal was, us guys would go buy the gingerbread houses at Target and the girls would stay home and make dinner. It was a mutual decision.

Since we were in complete control of what we bought, we took advantage of that and man, did it work out... kind of.

I should first start off by saying that each group was in a separate room so there was no peeking at what the other was building. Each house had to be original.

So back to the point about us having the advantage



Sean Hastings

of going to buy the houses. Here is where we "cheated" in their eyes.

We bought each our individual house, but as we were about to leave we saw the ginger bread village, which included one big house and three more little ones, with extra frosting, candy and colored frosting.

So of course we bought the village and snuck that back into my cousin's condo, dropped off the girls' house and we went to work. But we also bought some Cool Whip so we could make snow at the base of our pan.

The girls finished pretty quickly, because

they only had to worry about one house, and we wrapped up about 30 minutes later and that is when they started to wonder what was going on.

What we created was a beautiful, perfect masterpiece. We blew their house out of the water, or "snow" in this case. We had a gumdrop path leading up to the big house, gingerbread men just hanging out and doing their thing, and we even put a palm tree in there, because...why not?

This village should have taken a W just as big as the Cubs winning the World Series. We deserved to be flying the W flag, but apparently what we did was against the rules.

The way I see it is that we took advantage of what was in front of us and had some fun with it.

If you get in a gingerbread house competition this winter, have some fun with it, do not hold back, go all out and take advantage of using whatever you can, even if it means cheating and buying a village and taking an L in the competition, because deep down everyone knows you are the winner.

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Letter to the Editor

Stay motivated, happy over the winter season

I have to disagree with Mr. Cruikshank's column decrying the lack of transparency in the vitalization project. Unfortunately, what Mr. Cruikshank does not realize is that the administration is acting in a very transparent fashion, at least according to the way they see it. Just talk to virtually anyone who has tried to get information out of the administration concerning almost anything. You have to understand the administration's position; any and all information or data they have is theirs. They will

grudgingly give access to what small bits of information that they think is necessary and then only to those parties that they think need them.

As Mr. Cruikshank found out, there are numerous wonderful workarounds to avoid Open Meeting laws, Freedom of Information Act requests and the like. And these things do not occur by accident. After all, that is what the university has lawyers for! You do not think they are there to serve the needs and goals of faculty and students, do you?And do

not cause problems for the poor Chair, Dr. Henderickson. He is not in control of this process and is no doubt doing as he has been instructed. He likes his administration position and probably does not want to spend the rest of his life as the Dean of the Eastern graduate program!

-David Carwell, political science assistant professor

Holiday art sale back on campus, 30th year

By **Angelica Cataldo**
Entertainment Reporter | @DEN_News

Eastern’s art department kicked off their annual Holiday Art Sale Thursday in room 1910 of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The department hosted a reception with live piano music and refreshments to celebrate the opening of the sale, which will continue 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

Chris Kahler, department chair and art sale coordinator, said 40 percent of the proceeds go directly to the art department scholarship fund to support currently enrolled art majors.

The sale has supported undergraduate students since 2004. Since then, they have raised \$25,000.

“Every year we are just thankful with everything we’ve been able to get,” Kahler said. “The bottom line is you don’t enter into a venture like this with the expectation to get anything out of it.”

Kahler said art professors Debbie Nivens, Ann Coddington, Dwain Naragon and art department office manager LeAnn Daubs played important roles in making the sale hap-

pen this year and will also be helping to run it.

This is the first year Debbie Nivens helped organize the art sale by contacting and recruiting volunteers and artists and making sure the department was able to provide the space and materials for the artists to display their work.

She also worked on making sure advertisements like posters, radio and print announcements were made.

Art professor Charles Nivens, who is also helping run the event, was responsible for creating the posters.

“Everyone really just jumped in and helped,” Debbie Nivens said. “It was a communal effort of sorts.”

Many of the artists from last year’s sale are returning along with a few new artists, including some Eastern art students.

“It’s nice to see a lot of students participating this year,” Naragon said. “Students can see that they could really make a career out of this if we build enough enthusiasm out of making an occupation from sales like this. It’s kind of encouraging for them.”

The sale will feature handmade knitted, printed, wooden and ceram-



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Carol Lynch of Charleston looks over art during the Holiday Art Sale at Doudna on Thursday. The sale, put on by the art department raises money for the undergraduate art department scholarship fund.

ic pieces from local artists and Eastern students.

“The kids get very excited. They

like to see the community come in and look at their work,” Debbie Nivens said.

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“There is a draft RFP for a new model that looks at things differently and kind of interconnects the whole service medical clinic with the student insurance and there would be one health fee, and that fee would cover both entities,” Davidson said. “But they’ve just not moved that RFP forward.”

Hawkins said when making a fee structure she was trying to determine if the fees going into student insurance are really mandatory or voluntary.

“(The fee) may make a difference on recruiting purposes on financial

aid because I never thought of it as that aspect, whether it’s a mandatory student fee or a voluntary student fee,” Hawkins said. “If it’s a mandatory student fee then it could come down in a financial aid package, but if it’s not then there are different guidelines there.”

Davidson said if Eastern went with a different model, students and their families could be charged premiums, which could not be included in financial aid. He said it would impact recruiting and online students.

Workgroup Chair Rick Roberts,

the chair of the department of counseling and student development, recommended modifying the language of the recommendation based on the interview they have regarding student insurance.

Roberts said the group would also have to address Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining and his reaction to their recommendations on what to do about the now empty Carman Hall.

“There seems to be the mindset that the actual selling would be difficult because it has some state regulations,” Roberts said. “So other than demolishing I’m not sure what oth-

er recommendation we make. There doesn’t seem to be a lot of options.”

Hudson said the hall would either need to be demolished or there would need to be the recruitment of more students.

Roberts said Vietto could talk to Hudson to elaborate on alternative uses of the building other than demolishing.

The final report is due Thursday, Dec. 15 and will go to Eastern President David Glassman.

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“I will talk to him about that and see, but if we do add any new ones it would not come back to us,” Babbs said.

She said if the group needed to meet after looking at the feedback and working on the list, they could meet Thursday Dec. 8; however she asked members to let her know before then whether it would be necessary to meet.

The final recommendations are due Thursday, Dec. 15 and will be made public on the Task Force website in January.

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Theatre majors Michael Surles and Ethan Walker, as known as squirrels, helped haul 13 stage platforms from the play “The Glass Menagerie” into the scene shop where the props will be stored until spring semester. Christopher Gadomski, technical director, said at times the work can be stressful but he makes it fun by giving the students nicknames.

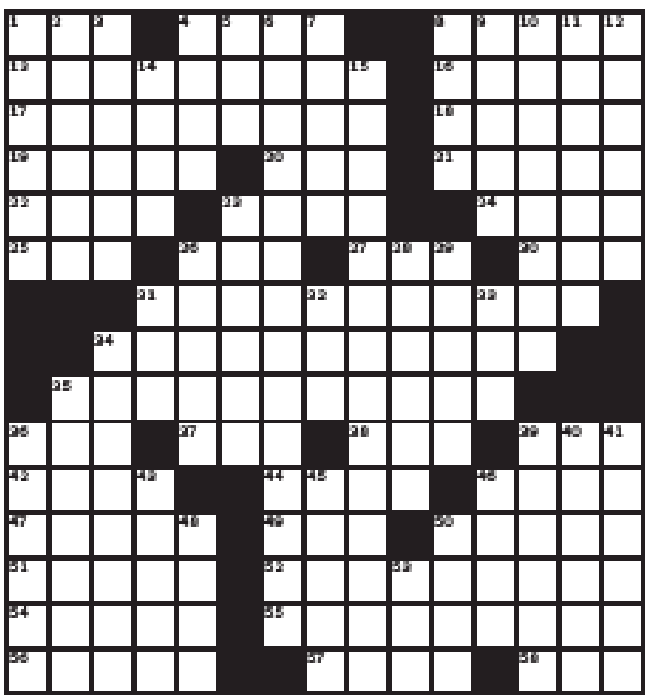
The New York Times Crossword

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- ACROSS**
1 Connections
4 Connections to the sternum
8 Not assured at all
13 “You can figure as well as I can”
16 Treasure
17 Cream song with the lyric “Dance floor is like the sea, / Ceiling is the sky”
18 Things that may be compressed
19 Excluded category in the Paleo diet
20 Little treasure
21 Now
22 Kind of wave
23 Wasabi go-with in sushi meals
24 List heading
25 People who are in them are out, in brief
- 26 Shavit with the 2013 best seller “My Promised Land”
27 Where Spike Lee earned his M.F.A.
30 Little: Fr.
31 Not identifying with one’s assigned sex
34 1851 Sojourner Truth speech
35 Online addresses, in part
36 “Ur hilarious!”
37 Bit of evasion
38 Still
39 Two or three sets, say
42 Where the Taj Mahotsav festival is held
44 Either director of “Inside Uelwyn Davis”
46 Part of MSG
47 Fit
49 Info in a Yelp listing: Abbr.
- 50 Either half of a 1973 “duel”
51 Lacked options
52 Ask
54 Tribe whose name means “long tail”
55 Dessert so-called for its portions of flour, butter, eggs and sugar
56 Purchase at a golf pro shop
57 Purchases at a golf pro shop
58 Flushed

DOWN

- 1 “Don’t you doubt me!”
2 “You cheated!”
3 Round containers?
4 Bet (on)
5 Subj. of many antiglobalization protests
6 Threat of a strike, in labor negotiations
7 Lead
8 Birdbrained
9 Birdbrain
10 Typical “S.N.L.” start
11 Something you can control the volume with?
12 “Me?” follower
14 “___, boy!”
- 15 Tense and unadorned, as writing
23 Part of MGM’s motto
26 “Baba” bandleader
28 Ones ranking above knives
29 Not realized
31 Fashion mogul Gunn
32 ___ Marcos, Tex.
33 Some “CSI” figs.
34 App with over 200 free stations
35 Place to play with toys
36 Things that might be batted at a ball
39 Approach
40 Something not many people laugh at
41 Blew it
43 Floral symbol of patience
45 “... but I could be wrong”
46 Comedian Maron
48 Superlatively
50 Contends (for)
53 Clément Marot poem “A ___ Damoysele Malade”



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Men’s basketball team heads to Chicago

By Sean Hastings
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Even though the Panthers lost Tuesday’s game to Bradley in over-time, it was not the matter of the Eastern men’s basketball team playing poorly, the Panthers just ran into a tough team, and when Eastern did make a mistake, the Braves took advantage.

The Panthers have been gaining more and more chemistry as the season has gone on, adjusting to the new style of play they can utilize, and they will have a chance to get back in the win column Sunday at Illinois-Chicago.

Senior Demetrius McReynolds did all he could in the Panthers’ loss Tuesday, scoring 25 points, with juniors Muusa Dama and Ray Crossland scoring 12 and 19 points, respectively.

What Eastern has been able to do well this year is play tough defense and force turnovers. But coach Jay Spoonhour has continued to say forcing turnovers is not enough.

Yes, that is where it starts, but if Eastern cannot remain sound when it gets the ball back, it does not matter. And that was where the Panthers fell off a bit Friday.

Junior guard Cornell Johnston said when Eastern forced the 24 turnovers it did against Bradley, the team would try to get too many shots off early in the shot clock, that were forced

shots, and did not let the plays come to them.

Illinois-Chicago and Eastern share the same record of 4-3, and the Flames are fresh off a 72-58 win over Chicago State.

The Panthers can expect to see a lot of sophomore forward Dikembe Dixon on Sunday. The forward has played 223 minutes in seven games this year and has 171 points, which is more than double anyone else on the team.

He averages 24.4 points a game, and Eastern’s strong-willed, turnover-forcing defense will have to show up to try and shut down Dixon. The offense has run through him during the first seven games, and a vast majority of assists are coming from Godwin Boahen and Tarkus Ferguson, who have a combined 39 out of 92.

Eastern plays fast, and Illinois-Chicago’s defense stepped up big in its last game against Chicago State, allowing just 24 points in the second half. That domination on defense started with over five minutes left in the first half.

Chicago State could not connect on a single field goal in the last 5:07 of the first half, and the Flames took advantage of that and doubled their 8-point lead by the end of the game.

A place where Eastern has struggled, Illinois-Chicago has found success: shooting from beyond the arc.

The way McReynolds started Tuesday’s game shooting 3-pointers, it



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Junior guard Montell Goodwin drives toward the basket against a Bradley defender Tuesday at Lantz Arena. Goodwin finished with six points and seven assists in the 87-83 loss.

seemed like the 3-point woes were over, but Eastern still shot 7-28 from beyond the arc.

In the Flames’ last game, they had six players connect from there.

Even though the 3-point shot is

not there, it is not the game the Panthers are dead set on focusing on.

Casey Teson is one of the Panthers’ stronger 3-point shooters, shooting 38 percent in his freshman season, and he has said this year Eastern does

not only look for 3’s but will take it if it is there.

Tip off is set for 3 p.m. in Chicago.

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OPINION

Dama filling special role for Eastern basketball team

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With four returning starters and three incoming junior college transfers, there was already seemingly high potential for the Eastern men’s basketball team this season.

The athleticism at the hand of Eastern coach Jay Spoonhour is a wonder to watch as the 6’10 junior Muusa Dama proved Tuesday night with the soaring finish to Montell Goodwin’s alley-oop pass.

That is just what this team has been missing in recent years.

A year ago, the Panthers were getting pounded in the paint along with being outrebounded by every opponent just because they were so small.

Well now times have changed, and so has Eastern basketball as there is a new mojo in town.

Dama’s slam that sent the crowd in Lantz Arena into a frenzy is just a preview of what could be for the Panthers.

Dama’s physicality is one of many skills he possesses along with his ability to shoot from mid-range while it all leads to double-double performances like he put up against Bradley Tuesday night.

He finished with 11 rebounds and 12 points to notch his first double-double as a Panther, but he has posted similar results all season long.

Dama is averaging nearly 11 rebounds and nine points per game to start the season, and he has proven to be a physical specimen when on the court for Eastern.

His role of dominating the boards and creating space for the shooters is added to his ability to score from the field.

Dama has shot 53 percent this season while making 72 percent of his shots at the free-throw line.

His versatility on both sides of the ball offers a bright season to come for key players in the offense beginning with returning starters senior Demetrius McReynolds, junior Cornell Johnston and sophomore Casey Teson.

The trio returns for Eastern this season with less pressure to carry the team on their back because of players such as Dama.

The two other junior college transfers Goodwin and Ray Crossland have been a pivotal part of the Panthers’ offense all because of that new athletic look the team possesses.

The athleticism across the board is allowing Eastern to play a different game than a year ago while key offensive players space the floor.

A fine example is the reduced role of Johnston, who seemed to do it all for Eastern last season.

While Johnston is still one of the most important parts of the Panthers’ success, he is not expected to shoot lights out because of the likes of Dama and company.

The new looking Panthers may just be 4-3 to start this season, but if everything comes together, the ceiling of potential could only continue to rise.

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